

**ELK COUNTY, KS**

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1,997	1,992	1,987
<b>Farms</b>			
Number	383	382	409
Acreage	330,832	324,063	340,899
Average size (acres)	864	848	833
Median size (acres)	317	N	N
<b>Estimated market value average per farm</b>			
Land/buildings (dollars)	368,335	261,625	237,000
Machinery/equip (dollars)	30,975	29,611	23,672
<b>Cropland (acres)</b>			
Total	77,920	83,970	85,006
Harvested	42,268	47,664	40,040
Irrigated	11	D	D
<b>Agricultural products sold - market value</b>			
(\$1,000)	20,518	20,041	17,905
(dollars avg. per farm)	53,571	52,464	43,777
<b>Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm</b>			
(dollars average)	9,015	7,588	7,938
<b>Livestock inventory (number)</b>			
Cattle and calves	47,696	40,784	37,023
Beef cows	16,085	16,567	16,665
Milk cows	119	155	125
Hogs and pigs	2,645	7,915	9,613
Sheep and lambs	316	570	468
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	957	1,071
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	0	0
<b>Harvested commodities (acres)</b>			
Corn, grain or seed	432	859	307
Corn, silage or green chop	0	0	31
Sorghum, grain or seed	3,615	4,480	5,465
Wheat	8,290	12,672	6,405
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	203	470	507
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	10,202	9,827	9,348
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	22,938	22,264	19,341
<b>Vegetables</b>			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

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<b>Orchards</b>			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

**Abbreviations/footnotes:**

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture